

Invocation – Unity in Diversity

God our Creator,

we worship and praise you for who you are.

We come to you with thanksgiving for the richness of your diversity.

God, you created us with diversity, and you created us with tender love.

As we celebrate our diversity, help us Lord, to understand your divine purpose in making us different.

Empower us to be instrument of unity and peace.

May your Holy Spirit guide us so we fully understand that your peace is a gift from you to the church and the world.

In the midst of diversity, help us remember that in Christ we are one.

Help us also remember that your glory fades away where there is favoritism and discrimination.

Help us remember that our identity is in Christ rather than in our differences.

Lord God, we are your people, your different and diverse people.

We ask your blessing upon our community, our church, and our families.

In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

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